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GREAT ALIES' CLAWS CLUTCH AT GERMAN WINGS; ENERGETIC ATTACKS OF TEUTONS LESS APPARENT

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KAISER'S MEN ARE FORMED IN LETTER 'L' TO PREVENT BEING ENCIRCLED

SHIFT OF GERMANS FORETELLS EARLY DECISION IN FIGHT

(By Associated Press)
PARIS, Oct. 1.—The following official statement was issued here at 11:00 o'clock tonight:

"There is nothing of particular importance to observe except in the region of Bayeux where French left, where violent action turned successfully in our favor, and at Argonne, where we made progress at several new points."

"The general situation remains satisfactory."

"It is now as officially that 400 Germans at one part of the allied left were surrounded in quietude by French troops and were hopelessly separated from their division. The Germans are being shelled."

The Germans officially today claimed the French defeated march and south of Albert. Later French statements indicated the French had regained ground and had penetrated further north of Albert.

Line Forms "L"

The Germans have now drawn the letter "L" with the front being along the up-right portion. Ruffin's divisions will be used to the east to prevent the French left from encircling us, simultaneously along the front. Meanwhile the great claws of the allied forces continue to move to encircle the German wings. The German left has extended far enough to encircle French, advanced to within several miles. This indicates the battle will soon end as supplies are not unlimited."

The allies, now moving the end of the third week will meet the Germans in position.

On the other front in South Woevre the French are moving to force the Germans back. The British should move to cover the British Army.

AGREEMENT ON CESSATION OF HOSTILITIES IN MEXICO IS MADE

GENERAL PEACE CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT AGUAS CALIENTES ON OCTOBER 5 MAY DECIDE DIFFERENCES.

TROOPS STILL BATTLE

DIVISIONS IN VILLA'S ARMY REPORTED AT EL PASO, AND ACTIVITIES OF MADERO'S YAUQUIS IN SUMMER CHIEF DIVISIONS IN MEXICO.

(By Associated Press)

AGUAS CALIENTES, Oct. 1.—The peace conference of Mexican leaders yesterday reached an agreement for the immediate cessation of all arms, immediate and for a convening of the greatest possible number of revolutionaries, chief here on October 5. The general convention will soon be signed by Villa, Carranza, Obregon, and others on the understanding the negotiations

TO PROTECT PRIESTS.

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—No official word of the conference ended in Mexico City today to promote the direction of Villa's forces reported here. Officials are very doubtful.

The revolutionaries asserted the administration that foreign interests and ours would be protected.

SPLITS IN ARMY.

(By Associated Press)

ST. PAUL, Oct. 1.—Despite reports of division of Villa's army, received the border towns from both official and impartial sources, it was confirmed that General Obregon, with an entire brigade had revolted against Villa. The latest news in Durango has been reported to have tended to the extreme side, and that V. H. Carranza, Obregon, and Villa, will be split after a while.

YAUQUIS ACTIVE

(By Associated Press)

ST. PAUL, Oct. 1.—Governor Madero's Yauqui Indians do not General Villa's orders today, but were too much broken up themselves to pursue enforcement.

Congressional Adjournment by October 15 Considered Probable by House Leaders

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 1.—Democratic leaders today conferred under terms of 12 as a legislative day for adjournment. The remaining legislation will be confined to the war revenue bill, and measures now in conference between the two houses, including the Clayton anti-trust bill, and the Alaska coal leasing bill. The special session to consider the state purchase bill will probably be abandoned.

Republican leader Mann today vigorously assailed the Philippine independence bill as a surrender of American strategic command of the Pacific. He said the Pacific was the "bulwark around the future," and that a commercial or otherwise, you are in a world that can't

We again urge farmers to plant more acre in feed stuffs and invest in a few good dairy cattle and hogs. We urge landlords to assist their tenants in the purchase of blooded livestock. In future it will be the policy of this bank to extend credit to those farmers who, by a judicious diversification of crops and a sufficient investment in livestock, will put themselves in a better position to merit our help.

Respectfully,

The Corpus Christi National Bank

BRITISH WOUNDED ARRIVE AT FOLKESTONE



Two wounded soldiers of a Highland regiment sent back to England for treatment. Illustration by Maynard at Folkestone.

GERMAN PRISONERS OF WAR AT BRUGES



These captured Germans, it will be noted, are wearing various uniforms. This is explained by the fact that the latter's soldiers found the regular army quite unaccountable in tactics and appropriated the footware of the Belgians.

RESERVES FROM INDIA COME TO FRANCE TO JOIN ALLIES BY STIFFENING LEFT WING

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Oct. 1.—The official London news announces that Indian troops would be immediately required in France Friday. They probably disembarked at Marseilles.

Of course, it is not known where the Indian troops are going, but it is believed the left wing will be stiffened by them. Some of the territories also

have reached Field Marshal French. These include the London ports—on of the best of England's volunteer regiments, recruited from Scotland in London. They have resisted a high state of efficiency. In their ranks are some of the best marksmen in the empire. Among them are a number of men who competed with the United States for the Palma trophy a few years ago.

PRAISE DISPATCH RIDERS.

The generals in command of the allies have nothing but praise for the corps of dispatch riders who, since the beginning of the great battle of the Aisne, have kept a communication between the various corps along the line now spreading from the Somme to the Meuse and along the frontier of Artois-Lorraine.

The dispatch riders mostly are volunteers from British universities, many of them wealthy young. Night

and day they have made journeys through country infested with German cavalry carrying messages which have kept brigades and army corps in close touch, and enabled commanders to send re-enforcements to points where most needed.

HAVES MET MANY HAZARDS.

On many occasions these dispatch riders, mounted on motorcycles, a sheer nakedness and speed, have scattered reconnoitering parties of German cavalry, sometimes facing enormous odds in their dangerous work.

ANTWERP SIGNS CONTINUED.

An Antwerp dispatch says the German attack on Antwerp was continuous throughout the night. The Belgian fortifications were so effective that the Germans were several times compelled to change the positions of their batteries. The Waal and St. Catherine forts remained silent yesterday, leading the Germans to believe they were silenced. The Germans then sent in a section of field artillery to attack the fort but found themselves under fire. Only a few of the attacking forces escaped. The Belgians then made a sortie, capturing several guns.

SITUATION NOT CRITICAL.

The official Belgian bulletins denied the report published today was authorized or represented the government's view in saying the situation between Turkey and Great Britain and her allies was critical.

RUSSIANS KILL 20,000

GERMAN LOSS GREAT AS RUSSIANS BREAK CENTER IN WESTERN THEATRE.

(By Associated Press)

LONDON, Oct. 1.—A Petrograd dispatch says the Germans lost 20,000 men at Donibona. Experts say the Russians broke the German center when they captured Augustow, and Kopatzewo. The Russians failed two attempts to cross Neman between Druski and Druski, and drove the Germans from their investments on

EXHAUSTION SETS IN AS LINES OF BATTLE STRETCH

German Practice of Maintaining Incessant Fire Draws Heavily On Human Material—Every Reinforcement of Germans Equalled by Reserves of Allies.

Associated Press.

AT THE BATTLE FRONT, Via Paris, 9:21 p. m., Oct. 1.—The recent terrible hand to hand conflict on both wings arose from attempts of both sides to execute flanking movements in great force at the same time, in the open country. The lines of the enemies have been growing even longer during the last ten days in the mutual endeavor to overrunning each other.

The wings have been heavily re-inforced but the allies brought greater power to bear, and not only prevented the Germans from breaking through but gained ground steadily, and now have the advantage.

German prisoners captured in large numbers on the western end show the reinforcements consist largely of men of middle age. This indicates that many corps have been withdrawn to meet the Russian advances.

The German practice of maintaining incessant offensive appears to be wearing their human material. Some corps have been almost annihilated before this fight many regiments had fought all the way down from Lille. This unceasing fighting is previously unknown in history. The German attacks in the last 24 hours have become more energetic, while the allies repulsed them, and followed them up more closely. Exhaustion seems to have set in, owing to the hard fighting, arduous weather. In the meanwhile, the allies are being given rest at intervals, so fresh relays can be brought to the front at any time.

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ENGLISHMAN DECLARES BELGIUM IS ARRESTED FROM LIFE, WITH INHABITANTS DUMB.

LONDON, Oct. 1, 12:30 a. m.—The Belgians destroyed \$10,000,000 worth of property in precautionary measures, around Antwerp, declares a member of Parliament, who has just returned from Antwerp. Throughout the country all ordinary life is arrested, while women and children are sitting dumbly patient by the roadside. The country is desolated, devastated, and starving but brave.

J. W. Shaw of Walling is in the city for a few days.